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PETITION FOR  
EXTENSION OF TIME  
(37 CFR 1.136(a))

TC 1700

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| Application #  | 09/214,708      |
| Confirmation # | 8306            |
| Filing Date    | 11 January 1999 |
| First Inventor | ITANO           |
| Art Unit       | 1746            |
| Examiner       | Winter          |
| Docket #       | P06217US0/BAS   |

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This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) are as follows.

NOTE: Applicant has previously claimed or now claims small entity status.

No extension of time previously obtained. Extension requested:

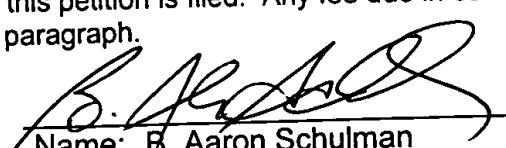
|   | <u>Large Entity Fee</u> | <u>Small Entity Fee</u> |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month | \$ 110                  | \$ 55                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Two months           | \$ 410                  | \$ 205                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Three months         | \$ 930                  | \$ 465                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Four months          | \$ 1450                 | \$ 725                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Five months          | \$ 1970                 | \$ 985                  |

A check covering the amount indicated above is enclosed. If no check or an insufficient check is enclosed and a fee is due with this communication, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee or additional fee due herewith to Deposit Account No. 12-0555.

If a further petition for extension of time (EOT) is required at this time, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an EOT of as many months as are required to ensure that the application is pending on the date that this petition is filed. Any fee due in connection with this petition is authorized in the preceding paragraph.

Date: 7 July 2003

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